

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2000

Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it recess until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 26. I further ask consent that on Thursday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and it will be the intention of the leader to begin consideration of the Older Americans Act, hopefully under an agreement. I further ask consent that at 11 o'clock there be a period of morning business until 12 noon, with the time equally divided between Senators BRYAN and DOMENICI, and that Senator BRYAN be in control of the first half of that time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. VOINOVICH. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will hopefully begin debate on the Older Americans Act at 9:30 a.m. At 11 a.m., the Senate will be in a period of morning business for 1 hour and then resume consideration of the Older Americans Act. The House is expected to consider the conference report to accompany the District of Columbia appropriations bill, which also contains the Commerce-Justice-State appropriations language, the Labor-HHS appropriations conference report, and the tax bill during tomorrow morning's session. It is hoped that the Senate can begin consideration of those bills as they are received from the House. Therefore, votes are expected in the afternoon on these bills, as well as a vote on a continuing resolution.

ORDER FOR RECESS

Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess under the previous order following the remarks of Senator REID from Nevada, who has been very patient. I thank Senator REID and the Chair very much for their patience this evening.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, it is my understanding we are to begin at 9:30 tomorrow. I ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, the Senator from Nevada be recognized for a half-hour tomorrow morning as in morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. VOINOVICH. Reserving the right to object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. REID. I withdraw the request, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The request is withdrawn.

The Senator from Nevada.

Mr. REID. It is my understanding the Senator from Ohio has completed his work for the night.

The Senator from Ohio has finished for tonight?

Mr. VOINOVICH. Yes.

ISSUES BEFORE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND GOVERNOR BUSH

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we have an interesting number of issues before this body. We have talked on various occasions, not the least of which has been today, about what we have not done: A real Patients' Bill of Rights; a prescription drug coverage through Medicare; a minimum wage increase; tax-deductibility for college-level education, including lifelong learning; education funds to modernize our schools, to have afterschool programs, to have more teachers; commonsense gun safety legislation; long-term tax credits for families caring for elderly parents; and affordable housing. These issues—any one of them—could have been completed with the intercession of the Governor of Texas who is running for President.

The campaign, that will be completed in 12 or 13 days, is a campaign of ideas. What I would like to do tonight is spread across the RECORD of this Senate some of the ideas of George W. Bush, the Governor of the State of Texas. I say this because I think we should understand there are a number of policies that are being advocated by the Vice President and by the Governor of Texas.

So what I want to do today is quote verbatim, statements that have been made by George W. Bush. I will not be able to complete all of his statements tonight, but I am going to spend some time reading direct quotes of George W. Bush. Maybe I will return tomorrow or the day after to complete the statements of the Governor of the State of Texas.

The first quote comes from October 23, 2000. That was last Monday. Here is the direct quote:

I don't want nations feeling like that they can bully ourselves and our allies. I want to have a ballistic defense system so that we can make the world more peaceful, and at the same time I want to reduce our own nuclear capacities to the level commiserate with keeping the peace.

October 18, 2000, another direct quote:

Families is where our nation finds hope, where wings take dream.

He also said, on that same occasion, in LaCrosse, WI:

If I'm the president, we're going to have emergency-room care, we're going to have gag orders.

He also said, and I quote:

Drug therapies are replacing a lot of medicines as we used to know it.

Another direct quote:

It's one thing about insurance, that's a Washington term.

Direct quote:

I think we ought to raise the age at which juveniles can have a gun.

This is the Governor of the State of Texas, the man running for President of the United States, who has said these things.

The next direct quote:

Mr. Vice President, in all due respect, it is—I'm not sure 80 percent of the people get the death tax. I know this: 100 percent will get it if I'm the president.

Next direct quote:

Quotas are bad for America. It's not the way America is all about.

Direct quote.

October 18, in St. Louis, the same day that he said, "Families is where our nation finds hopes, where wings take dream," he said:

If affirmative action means what I just described, what I'm for, then I'm for it.

In Greensboro, NC, on October 10 of this year, he said:

Our priorities is our faith.

October 11 of the year 2000:

I mean, there needs to be a wholesale effort against racial profiling, which is illiterate children.

The direct quote from Gov. George W. Bush: "I mean, there needs to be a wholesale effort against racial profiling, which is illiterate children."

Greensboro, NC, the day before—that is, October 10—when he was commenting on the Vice President's tax plan:

It's going to require numerous IRA agents.

The Governor of the State of Texas said, on October 4, in Reynoldsburg, OH:

I think if you know what you believe, it makes it a lot easier to answer questions. I can't answer your question.

This was in response to a question about whether he wished he could take back any of his answers in the first debate. The direct quote is: "I think if you know what you believe, it makes it a lot easier to answer questions. I can't answer your question."

I do not think that takes any discussion to figure out what he just said, because I do not think he knows what he just said.

In Boston, on October 3 of the year 2000, he said:

I would have my secretary of treasury be in touch with the financial centers, not only here but at home.

Saginaw, MI, September 29, 2000:

I know the human being and fish can coexist peacefully.

Quote: "I know the human being and fish can coexist peacefully."

Redwood, CA, September 27, 2000:

I will have a foreign-handed foreign policy.

Again, these are direct quotes from the Governor of the State of Texas, the man who has been nominated to be President of the United States.

Los Angeles, September 27:

One of the common denominators I have found is that expectations rise above that which is expected.

Beaverton, OR, September 25, this year: